

## VILLAGE OF BURR RIDGE MEMO

To: Steven Stricker, Village Administrator

From: Paul D. May, P.E., Director of Public Works / Village Engineer

**Date:** August 27, 2008

**Subject:** Emerald Ash Borer Treatment, Guaranteed Price Solicitation

As you are aware, Emerald Ash Borer infestation has been identified in Burr Ridge. On Wednesday July 30, 2008, the Village of Burr Ridge received confirmation from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), of the presence the beetle on the 6400 Block of St. James Court in the Heatherfields subdivision. The infested trees were removed on Friday, August 8, 2008. The existing urban forest is of great value to the Village, and the Mayor and Board of Trustees have requested that Staff determine if competitive prices can be provided for Village residents to provide treatment for private trees. Pursuant to said direction, please consider the following:

## Solicitation of Prices for Public and Private Benefit

In order to provide cost alternatives for treatment of public Ash trees, and in order to provide competitive costs for use by Village residents, the DPW has prepared a Guaranteed Price solicitation (attached). The Guaranteed Price solicitation provides an opportunity for arborists to provide a pre-determined, guaranteed price for treatment of EAB through the injection or root drench methodology. It is our intent that the proposals will assist the Village in determining a course of action for treatment of public parkway trees, but more importantly it is our intent to provide residents with a guaranteed, competitively solicited price for treatment. The Village has received seven proposals to date, as summarized following:

		Injection	Root Drench
Company Name	Phone Number	\$/diainch	\$/diainch
Autumn Tree Care	(847) 729-1963	\$ 22.00	\$ 5.00
B. Haney & Sons	(630) 495-1831	\$ 30.00	\$ 12.50
Emerald Tree Care, LLC*	(248) 939-0225	\$ 5.49	\$ 3.74
GroundsKeeper Landscape Care, LLC*	(708) 301-7441	\$ 11.00	\$ 8.50
Kramer Tree Specialists, Inc.*	(630) 293-5444	\$ 8.05	\$ 2.50
Nels J. Johnson Tree Experts*	(630) 654-1877	\$ 13.00	\$ 6.00
Smitty's Tree Service	(708) 385-2814	\$ 5.50	no bid
The Care of Trees	(630) 545-0606	no bid	\$ 5.00
Tree and Turf Professionals, Inc	(630) 759-7389	\$ 8.25	\$ 3.00
TruGreen Lawn Care*	(708) 430-7020	\$ 9.00	\$ 4.50
Winkler's Tree Service	(630) 420-8919	\$ 17.00	\$ 7.00

<sup>\*</sup> alternative product proposed